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c) Personal [copy given to: 1) applicant 2) applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e) No.
If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,5 and 8.

Identification of prior art discussed: Okajima, US Patent No. 6,035,558.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: General nature of 112 rejections was discussed. Rejections using Okajima reference was discussed. Amendment to claim 1 involving limitations in claims 5 and 8 was discussed. Examiner indicated breadth of independent claim 1, and importance of narrowly claiming specific features.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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